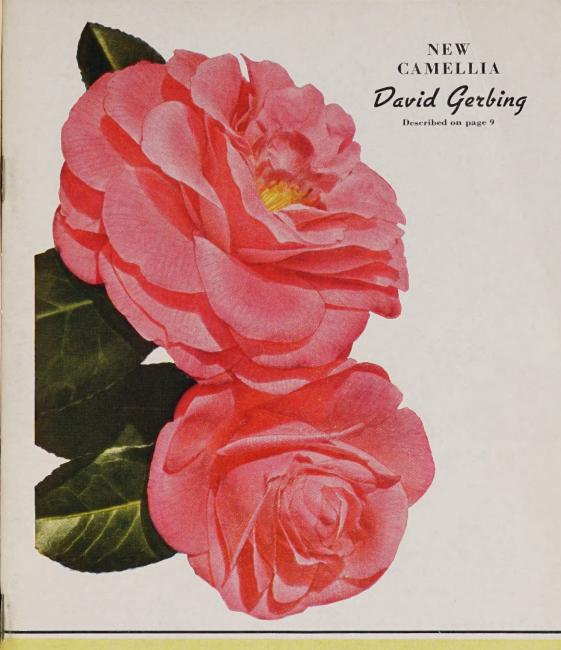
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# GERBING'S Commellias and Agaleas 1941-1942

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OUR SLOGAN - Quality and Service



GERBING'S HEDGE OF CAMELLIAS - SARAH FROST

GERBING'S Camellia and Azalea Gardens are located along the beautiful Amelia River on Amelia Island, 36 miles north of Jacksonville, which is on the extreme northeastern tip of Florida. In fact, this is the first place of interest when you enter the state.

To reach the gardens coming in from the south follow Route 17 to Yulee, Fla., turn right on Route 13 to Amelia Road, then make a sharp right turn at Nells Kitchen. Coming from the north follow Route 17 to Yulee, turn left on Route 13, then make a sharp right turn at Nells Kitchen. If you are coming from the west, follow Route 13 until you come to Nells Kitchen, then make a sharp right turn on Amelia Road.

Additional copies of this Catalogue available at 50 cts. each



PINK PERFECTION

To our old customers and our new customers alike, I wish to say thank you for your continued patronage.

Your confidence has made possible this improved Catalogue and the new development of our nursery. It is my hope to continue to add to my show gardens so that by 1945 I can open to the American garden-loving public a spectacular Twen-

tieth Century Garden of Flowers. On the basis of the service I have rendered I sincerely solicit your continued patronage and shall be delighted to render any personal service possible.

—G. G. Gerbing.

## Our Show Gardens

We are proud of our 6-acre garden along the beautiful Amelia River. Here we have planted the entire acreage with Azaleas and Camellias amid great live oak trees, draped with Spanish moss. Our 700-foot Camellia hedge, bearing rose-red blossoms, is a memorable sight in itself. Then, there is the large terrace, some 400 feet in length, planted with Kurume Azaleas in effective patterns. More than 10,000 plants were used to complete this display. In all, our garden and nursery contains more than 200,000 Camellias and Azaleas.

The Camellia Sasanqua varieties bloom from October to December. From November through March the C. japonica varieties put forth their blossoms but they are usually at their height in early February. The Azaleas make a bright splash from late February through March, even extending into early April. Usually they are most spectacular about March 15.

Visitors are always welcome at our gardens. Our parking area will accommodate 200 cars. No admission fee is charged this season.

This Camellia catalogue is sent to you with our compliments. If you wish additional copies they are available at 50 cents each, postpaid. Additional copies of the color plates showing the large display of Camellias can be supplied at \$1.00 each, postpaid.



## Grafted Camellias—

## Why they are superior to own-root plants

We are often asked why we cut down fine shapely Camellia plants and graft young shoots on the remaining trunks. Then, too, we are often asked why we charge so much for grafted Camellias. Here are the answers:

First of all let us say a word or two about grafting, as to methods and benefits to be obtained. Grafting is done in the winter months when the plants are dormant. Usually we select a good-sized plant from four to twelve years old, saw the top growth off to within an inch from the ground. The remaining stem is then split with a cleaver and the edges of the bark are smoothed with a sharp knife. Next a chisel is inserted in the stem to pry it apart slightly. Then one or more small twigs (or scions) of some fine rare Camellia variety are selected and a wedge is cut on each. The twigs (or scions) are inserted so that the cambium layers of the bark are in contact on each side of the stem. The chisel is then removed and the stem is covered with damp earth which is brought up to a height of about 2 inches around the twigs (or scions). A jar is then placed over the entire plant and a close-meshed piece of burlap is fastened over the entire job. A weather-proof label with the correct variety name is placed near the jar and the date of the grafting is also recorded. About the middle of April each jar is examined weekly. As soon as new growth has developed to a height of 3 to 4 inches the jar is removed and a heavy shade is placed over the graft. Each week the shading is raised to give the vigorous-growing plant more room for development. When the plant reaches a height of 18 inches, three stakes are driven around it to form a triangle. A piece of stout twine is used to hold the plant in place. This framework prevents the grafting from being broken by wind or workmen. All shading is then removed and a constant watch is kept on the plants to prevent the understock from sending up shoots.

An understock ten to twelve years old will grow a top plant from 3 to 4 feet high in one season and often will set buds the first year. This vigorous growth continues until the top is again in balance with the root system, which requires four to six years. In other words, by grafting you can have a fine, large, rare Camellia in four to six years whereas on its own root



system it would take twelve to fifteen years. The value of the understock used, the losses incurred in grafting, the labor and the time required to carry out the grafting process, and the care which the plants require after growth begins, are reasons why prices for grafted plants must be relatively higher than those grown on their own roots. We cannot recommend grafted plants too highly because they are more vigorous in their growth and are more resistant to disease than those grown on their own roots. It is our custom, as a rule, to graft only when we are interested in growing rare varieties and kinds which are slow and difficult to propagate.

This season we have over 2000 grafted plants to offer, the understock used ranging in age from four to twelve years. The young plants vary from 1 to 4 feet. We grow our grafted Camellias in full sun to produce bushy plants rather than to induce mere height.

Prices of grafted Camellias, four to six-year-old understock, all varieties except those indicated by an asterisk (\*)

1-ft. plants\$5 00	2½-ft. plants
1½-ft. plants 7 50	3-ft. plants
2-ft. plants	4-ft. plants

The larger sizes are grafted on ten and twelve-year-old understock.

#### Prices of the following Varieties:

\*Lotus, Donklaeri, Fire Gold, David Gerbing, M. G. No. 25, Marchioness of Salisbury, Haku-Rakuten, Helen of Troy, Rosea Superba, Victor Emanuel, Edith Churchwell, Leona Bolen, Christine Lee, Dr. W. G. Lee.

1-ft. plants\$10 00	2½-ft. plants\$25 00
$1\frac{1}{2}$ -ft. plants	3-ft. plants
2-ft. plants 20 00	

## MATHOTIANA RUBRA





MATHOTIANA RUBRA

## WHITE GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

**Abundance.** Profuse-flowering, full, double white variety measuring 4 to 5 inches across. A strong grower, with large deep green, glossy foliage; blooms when young.

Grafted plants only, \$10.00 to \$20.00.

Dante. An imbricated pure white form with golden stamens at the base of each petal. This variety may be best described as of medium size, measuring 4 inches in diameter. A low, spreading grower with dull green foliage. Very fine. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$10.00.

Eastern Sun. (One of our Hybrids.) A full-formed, peony-type Camellia with 4-inch flowers having the outer rows of petals pure white and the inner portion of the bloom made up of lemon-tinted anthers and petaloids and golden stamens. We might say that there is more yellow in this Camellia than any we have ever seen. The deep green foliage is slightly twisted. Growth is slow and bushy; midseason flowering.

Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$20.00. Own-roots plants, \$2.00 to \$3.50.

Edith Churchwell. (One of our own Hybrids.) An exquisite, wavy-petaled, loose peonytype flower measuring  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 inches in diameter. The plant is a slow, bushy grower and the dark green foliage is of medium size. Flowers in January.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$20.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

Ethlington White (Waterloo). The petals of this semi-double variety are often described as tissue-like in texture. Dark green foliage. Tall and vigorous in its growth; blooms in midseason.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$30.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$10.00.

**Haku-Rakuten.** An extraordinary 4-inch white blossom, loosely formed, with a few stamens intermingled with the petals. Light green, glossy foliage. Tall, vigorous grower.

A limited stock of grafted plants available, \$15.00 and up.

Imura, White. This hybrid from Alabama is the most beautiful white semi-double we have seen. Its long, narrow petals have a porcelain-like texture. The flowers measure 5½ to 6 inches in diameter; showy yellow stamens. Long dark green foliage. Open and upright in its growth; midseason bloomer.

Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

Lotus, Sode Gutchie. The largest of all Camellias, measuring 6 inches or more in diameter, with a large cluster of stamens in the center. The long, dull green foliage is heavily ribbed. Midseason to late flowering.

Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$20.00 each. Own-root plants, \$3.00 to \$5.00.



GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

Mrs. Millar Wilson. (One of our hybrids.) A most unusual variety is this semi-double, star-shaped white flower measuring 3 inches in diameter. Each double row of petals is separated by showy stamens, and the center of the flower is a pleasing combination of stamens and petaloids. Rapid, tall, open grower with light green, medium-sized foliage.

Own roots, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Mrs. William Thompson. A very large semi-double white flower, displaying prominent stamens. Large, rounded, serrated foliage. Vigorous slender growth; midseason.

A few grafted plants available, \$15.00 to \$20.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$8.00.

Perfection Alba. (Temporary name.) Although this flower was purchased as Alba Superba it produces full double pure white blossoms, 3 to 4 inches in diameter. We consider this Camellia one of the finest double whites for late cut-flowers because it is a profuse bloomer. The foliage is large, light green, and glossy, and the compact, upright growth is decidedly vigorous. We are sure that this is a distinct variety because Alba Superba is semi-double with showy stamens. Midseason to late flowering. Available in limited quantities only.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.00.

Snowdrift. A beautifully formed blossom, semi-double in structure. The long, dull green foliage is heavily serrated and the plant is a good grower. Blooms in midseason.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$30.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$8.00.

Star of Bethlehem. (Our seedling.) A semi-double, pure white star formation of the Imura type; flowers measure 3 inches. Low, spreading, bushy growth and long, narrow, dark green foliage characterize this free-flowering variety. Where a low-growing, vigorous, hardy white Camellia is needed we recommend this variety whole-heartedly. Early to midseason.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$3.50.

Supresse Nobilissima. A loose, irregular, peony-flowered form with thin-textured petals which are crinkled at the edges. The flowers measure 4 to 5 inches across. Long, deep green foliage. Strong, upright growth; midseason flowering.

Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$15.00; from 21/2-in. pots, \$1.00.



Augusta Wilson (Ashland Pink, Cabbage Head, St. Elmo). A full, peony-flowered bloom of deep pink, measuring 3½ to 4 inches in diameter. A fast, tall grower with large, round, glossy foliage. Early bloomer.

PINK GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$10.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$10.00.

Bessie McArthur. (One of our hybrids.) A large, semi-double, clear pink variety with three or four layers of very large petals and prominent stamens intermingled with small petaloids. The flowers measure 5 inches across. Large, glossy, long foliage. Low, bushy growth; very hardy.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$20.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Christine Lee. A lovely semi-double pink Camellia from the gardens of Dr. W. G. Lee. The flowers measure 4 to 6 inches across, with showy, prominent stamens. We guarantee this fine semi-double pink variety to be the true strain from Dr. Lee's garden. Long, deep green foliage. Spreading, bushy growth; midseason to late.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

David Gerbing. (Our seedling.) New. Lovely pink, double rosebud form with 3 to 4-inch bloom. (See front cover.) The opening color and form resembles that of a Pink Radiance rose. When fully open some show short stamens. Foliage is long, medium green. Vigorous, bushy, tall growth; very free flowering midseason to late. A handsome new variety available in grafted plants (limited). \$15.00 to \$20.00; from 2½-in. pots \$2.00.

Empress. An immense, semi-double deep pink flower with golden stamens in the center.

Deep green foliage. Tall, slow growth; early flowering.

Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$30.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$8.00.

Helen of Troy. (Do not confuse with H. A. Downing which is sometimes listed as Helen of Troy. This variety is not the same or in any way similar.) Very large, deep pink, symmetrical petalage characterizes this variety which opens flat with showy stamens when fully expanded. The long, glossy, medium-sized foliage resembles that of Mathotiana Rubra. Vigorous in growth. One of the finest new varieties; released for the first time this season.

Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$20.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$3.50.



PINK GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

Nellie Cohen. (One of our hybrids.) A semi-double to loose peony-flowered bloom, best described as a shade of pink not usually found in Camellias. Flowers measure 3½ to 4 inches, with golden stamens set among twisted petals. A bushy grower with round, medium green foliage.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$8.00.

No. 113. Grandiflora Rosea. Usually described as semi-double or loose peony-flowered type; the large petals of the 5-inch blooms are veined with deep rose. A row of twisted petals which stand apart make this Camellia one of exceptional form. Large, glossy green foliage.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$7.00.

**Pink Poppy.** (One of our hybrids.) A single soft pink flower, 3 inches in diameter; some are semi-double. The entire flower is covered inside with a rosette of golden stamens resembling a poppy—a novel and handsome Camellia which is also fragrant. A tall, slow-growing plant with rounded dark green foliage.

No stock available except 2½-in. pot-plants, \$1.00.

Rosea Superba. A very large, double, deep pink flower of the Mathotiana Rubra type outstanding for its free-flowering habit. Foliage is typical of the type—long, dull green. Growth upright and vigorous; flowering season early to late. We consider it our finest and largest pink Camellia. Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$30.00.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

#### What You Should Not Do With Azaleas and Camellias

Do not pick the plants up by the stem. Do not remove the burlap or loosen it. Do not set the plants too deep. Do not water too frequently; but do not let them get extremely dry.
Do not plant in soggy soil.



Dr. W. G. Lee. An extraordinary dark velvety red, semi-double flower from the garden of Dr. W. G. Lee. The blooms average 3 to 4 inches in diameter with golden stamens showing in the center. This variety has been greatly admired by male collectors of Camellias. Round, deep green, glossy foliage. Spreading growth; early to midseason.

Grafted plants (limited supply), \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

RED GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

Emperor of Russia. A dazzling red hybrid that takes first place in any garden when it is in bloom. This brilliantly colored red flower is peony-like in form with golden stamens among the inner twisted petals. Very often the flowers appear to be four or five in one. Slow, bushy growth with dark green foliage. We consider this the finest red-flowering peony-form variety. Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, \$2.00 to \$10.00.

Firegold. See back cover.

H. A. Downing. A very large, semi-double flower of deep rosy red with stamens showing among the petals. Dark green foliage. Low, bushy, slow growth.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Lawrence Haines. (One of our hybrids.) A full peony-flowered form, 3 to 4 inches in diameter. The large, twisted petals of this dark velvety red flower are intermingled with a few golden stamens. The long foliage is narrow and light green in color. Tall and angular in its growth.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$8.00.

Leona Bolen. New. A vivid red, semi-double variety with 4-inch flowers whose petals stand well apart from the showy stamens in the center. The brightest red of all our Camellias. Rounded, dull green foliage. Extremely slow, low, bushy growth. Midseason flowering.

Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$20.00.



EMPEROR OF RUSSIA

## RED GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

October Joy. (One of our hybrids.) A loose, peony-flowered form in which the stamens sometimes show and at other times it develops into a semi-double flower. The color of the medium-sized blooms, which measure 3 to 4 inches in diameter, is best described as deep wine-red to blue-red. A tall, fast grower, with large, round, dark green foliage, this variety comes into full bloom in early October—hence its name.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$3.50.

Purplerose. (Our seedling.) New. Like a loose peony in its form, this rose-red to purple-wine-red variety, with its 4-inch flowers, is notable for the way in which it changes with the weather. In warm weather the petals take on a deep pink tone; during cool periods the petals become rose-red; in cold weather the shade is purple to lavender. The stamens are intermingled with the petaloids in the inner portion of the bloom. Glossy deep green foliage characterizes this vigorous, spreading variety. Because of its curious performance we consider it a novel addition to our collection.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

Victor Emanuel. A variety that is impossible to describe because of its exquisite form and its spectacular depth of coloring. Deep green foliage. Medium-sized grower; midseason bloomer. Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

William S. Hastie (Colonel Firey). A full, double Dahlia-flowered, dark red form which makes a choice cut-flower. Dark green foliage. Slow growth; late flowering.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$20.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$10.00.



FANNY BASIL

Brassennie. A full, double white flower marbled with rose-red is this rare and unusual variety. Large, round leaves. Very slow grower.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$7.00.

Collettie Maculata. A blood-red, peony-like flower, marbled with snow-white; large outer guard petals. Round, deep green foliage. Very slow grower; low and flat. This is the finest variegated peonyform.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$7.00.

Countess Lovinia Maggi (Laurel Leaf). A very large, double pink flower, spotted with white. Long, narrow, light green foliage. Extremely slow growth; blooms late.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$3.50.

Eleanor of Fairoaks. Deep red, marbled with white—a rich combination for a loose peony-type flower that measures 5 to 6 inches across. The bright stamens are intermingled with the petaloids. Mr. Norman Mansfield, of New Orleans, La., considers this the finest Camellia in America. Dull deep green foliage and vigorous, slender growth characterize this variety. Midseason to late flowering. Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00.

Fanny Basil (Fanny Bolis). Very large, semi-double dark red variety variegated with white, having golden stamens in the center of each flower. Large dark foliage. Medium growth; midseason bloomer.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$20.00.

Gov. Mouton. A large-flowering, peony-type Camellia of deep red coloring marbled with white. Dark foliage. Medium in growth.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$7.00.

Nagasaki. Semi-double rose-pink flowers spotted with white. Round, dark green foliage. Slow in growth; late. Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$8.00.

Otome Variegated. When opening the flower has the form of a rosebud. The shell-pink 4-inch blooms are suffused and striped with deep rose-pink. This very handsome variety has small, round, dull green foliage and slow, spreading growth. Identical with Otome White. Midseason. Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.00.

Paeoniaeflora. An extremely large, white, peony-type bloom speckled with pink—sometimes they appear solid pink and some half pink and half white. A truly outstanding Camellia is this variety which expands some 5 to 6 inches across. Round, deep green foliage. Strong, upright growth and very free-flowering from early to midseason.

Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$8.00.

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## VARIEGATED GOLD

MEDAL CAMELLIAS Princess Bacahachie (var. Mallott). A very large, semi-double soft pink flower marbled with white and measuring 5 to 6 inches across. It has created a sensation at Camellia shows. Very long, deeply serrated, dull green foliage. Low, vigorous, spreading growth; midseason to late flowering.

A few grafted plants \$10.00 to \$20.00. Own-root plants, \$5.00 to \$10.00.

Princess Bachinachi. Full, double dark red blooms of good size marbled with white. They last for many days in perfect condition on the plant. Large, round, glossy foliage. Tall, vigorous growth. Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.00.

Sarasa. (Formerly listed as Sawada.) A hybrid from Alabama, this semi-double salmonpink flower, 5 to 5½ inches in diameter, is streaked and speckled with white, and some are solid pink. Round, dark green foliage. Tall, open growth; midseason bloomer.

Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$12.00.

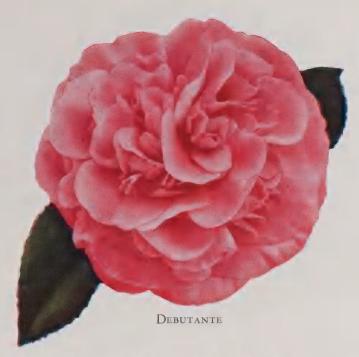
William Penn (Purple Peony). A distinct novelty of medium size with peony-like flowers of deep purple marked with white. A tall, willowy grower, with deep green, heavily serrated foliage. Blooms in midseason.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$30.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$2.00.

#### PRICES ON THE FOUR GOLD MEDAL GROUPS

From $2\frac{1}{2}$ -in. pots, winter or spring delivery	\$1	00
From Lath House, 8 to 10 in. tall. B.&B.	2	00
From Lath House, 10 to 12 in. tall. B.&B.	2	50
From Lath House, 12 to 15 in., branched. B.&B.	3	50
From Lath House, 15 to 18 in., branched. B.&B.	5	00
From Field, specimen, 18 to 24 in. B.&B.	8	00
From Field, specimen, 24 to 30 in. B.&B.	10	00
From Field, specimen, 30 to 36 in. B.&B.	12	00
From Field, specimen, 36 to 40 in. B.&B.	. 20	00
From Field, specimen, 40 to 48 in. B.&B.	25	00

Please note, these prices are per plant, no discount for quantity orders in these varieties.



## New Camellias from the Middleton Place

Located on the Ashley River, near Charleston, S. C., is the famous Middleton place, often spoken of as Middleton Gardens. This old plantation, laid out in the French style nearly 200 years ago, is famous for its magnificent old trees, its Azalea-bordered lawns, and its shadowy allees of old Camellias. The swampy land along the Ashley River seems to be ideal for growing Camellias of extraordinary size and astonishing brilliance. It was my pleasure, in 1939, to visit these great gardens. I saw literally thousand of plants growing in wild profusion and untold numbers of seedlings, some of which were 20 feet tall. Through the kindness of the owners, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pringle Smith, I was allowed to study and select a number of outstanding seedlings. From this great collection I assembled 49 first-rate varieties of the seedling origin. These were named by Mrs. Smith and because of the generosity of the owner it is now my privilege to introduce these large top-notch new Camellias to the American public.

This great old showplace is one of the great landmarks of early culture in America, and every Camellia enthusiast and, for that matter, every lover of the outdoors ought to make a pilgrimage to this old plantation.—G. G.

GERBING.

Alba Fimbriata (Middletoni, No. 26.) This is the true fimbriated Alba Plena, a pure white, formal type of flower which measures 4 to 5 inches in diameter. The foliage is typical of Alba Plena. Early flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

Alice Lockwood (Middletoni, No. 34.) A delightful 3-inch rose-pink flower with a white margin on each petal. Its rounded foliage is light green. The blooms, which resemble the Albert and the Elizabeth Azaleas, are noted for their attractive tall growth. Early flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

Althea Particolor (Middletoni, No. 18). The cup-shaped, semi-double bloom, 4 inches across, is deep rose-pink marbled with white and veined deep red with prominent stamens. Large, dark green foliage and symmetrical growth characterize this variety. Early to late flowering.

Very fine grafted plants, \$15.00.



## New Camellias from the Middleton Place

Arthur Middleton (Middletoni, No. 4). An exquisite deep pink flower of formal type, it measures 4 inches across. When fully opened, the stamens are intermingled with the petaloids. Free in its blooming habit and vigorous in its growth. The foliage is best described as medium green.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

Blanche Aurea (Middletoni, No. 25.) Four rows of white petals, lemon-tinted at the base, make the pleasing structure of this semi-double white variety. The stamens of this 4-inch bloom are noticeably wide-spreading. Small, round, deep green foliage.

Midseason. Grafted plants, \$15.00.

Campbell Ashley (Middletoni, No. 13). A loosely formed, peony-type flower of deepest red, with petals of crepe-like texture. The petaloids of this 4-inch flower are intermingled with the stamens. Growth is tall and the deep green leaves are noticeably long. Late flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

Coquille Minema (Middletoni, No. 17). Medium pink spotted with light pink is this semi-double flower with its showy clusters of stamens. Large, round, deep green foliage and wide-spreading growth. Early flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

Crepe Rosette (Middletoni, No. 6). Measuring 4½ inches in diameter, the deep pink semi-double blooms have three rows of outer petals which are twisted and intermingled with the stamens. They are veined with red, and white margins mark each petal of this variety, which is considered one of the finest from the Middleton Gardens. Foliage light green. Symmetrical growth of medium height. Early to late flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

Donklaeri (Middletoni, No. 15). We consider this to be the finest strain of the true Donklaeri in America. The 6-inch deep red flowers are spotted and marbled with white. Long, narrow foliage. Extremely slow in growth; early flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00 to \$25.00.

Heningham Smith (Middletoni, No. 12). When fully opened the stamens of this semidouble white variety are noticeable. It measures 3 to 4 inches in diameter and it may be said that the foliage and the flower are identical with Alba Plena. Wide-spreading growth; early flowering. Grafted plants, \$15.00.

## New Camellias from the Middleton Place

- Henry Middleton (Middletoni, No. 10). An unusually large, semi-double red flower measuring 5 to 6 inches across; four rows of petals accentuate the stamens. The large, glossy deep green foliage is slightly twisted. Medium tall growth; noted for its vigor. Everyone likes this Camellia. Early to late flowering.

  Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- Imperial (Middletoni, No. 20.) A peony-flowered form with rosy red coloring and exquisite form. The stamens are pleasingly intermixed with the petaloids. Its deep green foliage is extremely large and the plant is noted for its spreading growth. Late flowering.

  Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- J. J. Pringle Smith (Middletoni, No. 14). Generally considered the best of the red varieties in this group is this semi-double 5-inch flower with four rows of rounded indented petals. Rich deep green glossy foliage. Tall growing; early flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

- Judge Smith (Middletoni, No. 24). Best described as blood-red in color, the semidouble flowers have four rows of petals which are well set apart. The stamens and petaloids are intermingled in the center. Wide-spreading growth around the deep green foliage. Midseason flowering.

  Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- Lady Hume's Blush (Middletoni). This is the true strain imported from Europe many years ago. Best described as shell-pink to white. It varies from 2 to 3 inches in diameter. Long-pointed light green foliage and slow, slender growth characterize this variety.

  Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- Lovely Illusion (Middletoni, No. 30). Delicate, semi-double shell-pink flowers; the dainty blossoms measure 3 to 4 inches across. The foliage is best described as large, round, and medium green and the growth is tall. Late flowering. Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- Rose and Snow (Middletoni No. 31). Semi-double, medium-sized flowers which are spotted white and the petaloids in the center are marked with the stamens. Three rows of petals make up the form of this 3-inch bloom. Long-pointed deep green foliage and bushy growth are other marks of identification. Midseason flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00.

- Rosea Indenta (Middletoni, No. 23). Semi-double very delicate pink flowers with three rows of petals. The 4-inch blooms have short stamens. Long-pointed deep green foliage. Growth is tall; late flowering. Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- Shades of Evening (Middletoni, No. 5). A rose-like semi-double form with deep to dark red coloring. When fully opened the showy petaloids are intermingled with the stamens. There are five rows of outer petals. Long, narrow, dark glossy foliage. Late flowering.

  Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- Speciosa (Middletoni, No. 7). Not unlike Professor C. S. Sargent in form is this bombtype peony-flowered form of deepest red spotted with pure white. The deep glossy green foliage and the vigorous, wide-spreading habit of growth are worth considering. Midseason to late flowering.

  Plants only from 2½-in. pots, \$1.00 each.
- Williams (Middletoni, No. 11). Semi-double, it is usually described as the darkest red, measuring 4 to 5 inches in diameter with two rows of petals veined with lighter shadings of red. A choice plant with long-pointed dark green foliage. Grafted plants, \$15.00.
- White Chandleri (Middletoni, No. 22). Another peony-flowered form which is a well-known pure white flower that measures 5 inches across.

  Grafted plants, \$15.00.

#### What You Should Not Do With Azaleas and Camellias

Do not spray plants in winter with Oil Emulsion.

Do not place soil or muck on the surface of the ground around Azaleas or Camellias after they have been planted.

Do not permit your plants to remain dry at the roots when cool weather is reported.

Do not cultivate around the roots.

Do not allow heavy cloth to rest directly on the plants in freezing weather. (We do not cover any of our plants at any time.)

Do not over-fertilize your plants. (They are naturally slow growers and too much fertilizer will weaken them).



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## Camellias from Magnolia Gardens

Nearly a hundred years ago specimens of Azalea indica and Camellia japonica were brought to the estate of Magnolia Gardens on the Ashley. Under the supervision of the owner, Rev. John Drayton, a most enthusiastic gardener, the gardens on this great estate were laid out. The plantings are indeed spectacular, arranged as they are against a background of great old trees. Many of the plants are grown near the water and make beautiful reflections. We are proud to list here some of the outstanding varieties from Magnolia Gardens.

- Alba Superba. From Magnolia Gardens came this large, semi-double white form with showy stamens in the center of the flowers. This fine Camellia is a free bloomer while young. Vigorous and spreading in its growth, it has large, deep green, glossy foliage.

  Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$10.00.
- Catherine Cathcart. Double pink blossoms marbled with white, measuring 312 to 4 inches across, and noted for their symmetrical form. Rounded, light green foliage which is heavily ribbed. Slow, slender growth; late flowering,
  - Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$7.00.
- C. M. Hovey. A full, double, dark red flower, marbled and speckled with snow-white. It measures 4 to 5 inches in diameter and the petals are unusually large. Long, dull green foliage. Slow, bushy growth.
  - Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$30.00 each. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$5.00.
- C. N. Hastie. Dark red, peony-like flowers, measuring 4 to 5 inches across, distinguish this outstanding variety from Magnolia Gardens. Round, glossy dark green foliage. Tall, symmetrical growth.

  A limited supply of grafted plants, \$15.00.
- Daybreak (No. 7). A fluffy peony-type flower of medium size and soft pink coloring. Dull green foliage. Bushy growth; late flowering. Own-root plants only, \$1.00 to \$7.00.
- Debutante (Sara C. Hastie). This beautiful light pink peony-like Camellia measures 3½ to 4 inches in diameter. Light green foliage. Slow growth; early flowering. A limited supply of stock.

  Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$30.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$7.00.
- Derbyana. A double red of rosebud form when first open; when fully expanded the golden stamens show among the inner petals of this 4 to 4½-inch flower. Dark green, glossy foliage. Bushy growth; midseason flowering.

  Own root-plants only, \$1.00 to \$7.00.
- Duchess of Sutherland. We consider none finer than this semi-double, white, 6-inch bloom of exquisite form which occasionally has a pink stripe on one petal. Long, glossy, medium green foliage. Spreading growth; midseason flowering. Supply limited to a few grafted plants at \$15.00. Plants from 2½-in. pots, \$1.00; 6 to 8-in. sizes, \$2.00.
- Gigantea (Magnolia King). An enormous, semi-double deep red flower, marbled with white. Immense, dark green foliage. Tall, slow growth; late flowering.
- Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$3.50. **His Majesty** (No. 156). An immense loose peony-like flower of deep rosy red. Large, dull green foliage. Vigorous, tall growth; midseason bloomer.
  - Own-root plants only, \$1.00 to \$20.00.
- Magnolia No. 25. We do not know the name of this unusually large cup-shaped peony-like flower of deepest red. It has short stamens in the center and measures 5½ to 6 inches in diameter. Rounded, deep dull green foliage. Slow, symmetrical growth; late flowering. There is a possibility that this is Lady Mary Cromartie.
  - A limited supply of grafted plants from \$15.00 to \$25.00.
- Marchioness of Exeter. The deep pink peony-like flowers measure 4 to 5 inches across.

  Long, glossy deep green foliage. Wide-spreading growth; midseason flowering.
- Plants from 2½-in. pots only, \$1.00. **Marchioness of Salisbury.** Deep red, peony-form flowers marbled with pure white. The coloring and formation of this 3 to 4-inch bloom is truly exquisite. Long, dull green, twisted foliage. Slow growth. One of the finest. Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$20.00.
- Margaret Higdon. Here is a rare and choice Camellia of superior quality. Loose peony-like, brilliant rose-red in color, each petal of the 4 to 5-inch flower is margined with white. Medium green, glossy foliage. Symmetrical growth.
  - A limited supply of grafted plants, \$15.00 to \$30.00.



Marquis de Exeter. The 4-inch flesh-pink flowers are striped and speckled with deep pink and some are solid pink. This variety holds its peony-like flowers for an unusually long period. Light green foliage. Wide-spreading growth; midseason bloomer.

Own-root plants only, \$1.00 to \$15.00 each. Mathotiana Rubra. An immense, double, deep red flower which, when fully open, shows some stamens in the center. Dull green foliage. Vigorous, tall growth; midseason flower-

ing. Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$15.00. Rev. John Bennett. True Magnolia Garden stock. A very large, semi-double, deep rose-

pink bloom with prominent stamens. Flowers measure 6 inches and over. One of the rarest and finest. Long, narrow, dark green foliage. Spreading growth; late flowering.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Rev. John G. Drayton. A loose peony-like flower of pleasing deep pink; wavy petals intermingled with golden stamens. Light green foliage. Tall, angular growth; late bloomer.

Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$7.00.

Surprise. A double rose-flowered form of shell-pink, striped and flaked with rose-pink. When first open the 4-inch flowers have a perfect rose formation but in full development

the stamens show in the center. Very choice. Midseason flowering.

Supply limited to a few grafted plants, \$15.00. Plants from 2½-in. pots, \$1.00. Sweet Vera. Large, peony-like, flesh-pink flowers streaked with rose. Dull green foliage. Slow growth; midseason bloomer.

Own-root plants only, \$1.00 to \$15.00.

**Triphosa.** The large, semi-double, pure white flowers measure 4 to 5 inches across, with stamens in the center of each bloom. Dark, glossy green, slightly twisted foliage. Slow, spreading growth; midseason flowering. Extremely hardy.

Grafted plants, \$7.50.

Vedrine. A large, loose, deep red, peony-like flower, averaging 4 to 5 inches in diameter. It is exquisite in its color and formation and the stamens are intermingled, with the petaloids in the inner portion of the flower. Slightly twisted foliage. Slow, open growth; midseason to late. Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$10.00.

From 2½-in. pots, winter or spring delivery	\$	1 00
From Lath House, 8 to 10 in. tall. B.&B.		2 00
From Lath House, 10 to 12 in. tall. B.&B.		2 50
From Lath House, 12 to 15 in., branched. B.&B.		3 50
From Lath House, 15 to 18 in., branched. B.&B.		5 00
From Field, specimen, 18 to 24-in. B.&B.		8 00
From Field, specimen, 24 to 30-in. B.&B.	1	0 00
From Field, specimen, 30 to 36-in. B.&B.	1	2 00
From Field, specimen, 36 to 40-in. B.&B.	2	0 00
From Field, specimen, 40 to 48-in. B.&B.	2	5 00

Please note, these prices are per plant, no discount for quantity orders in these varieties.

## JAPANESE CAMELLIAS, Rare Varieties

**Akebono.** A semi-double salmon-pink flower of exquisite formation—petals stand apart. Dark green glossy foliage. Bushy growth; midseason flowering.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$35.00.

Akebono, Variegated. The semi-double salmon-pink flower is of exquisite formation—petals stand apart—and is striped with shell-pink. Dark green, glossy foliage. Bushy growth; midseason flowering.

Own-root plants only, \$7.00 to \$10.00.

Amabilis. Single pure white flower with golden stamens in center; resembles a white poppy when fully open. Glossy foliage. Tall growth; midseason flowering.

Grafted plants, \$15.00 to \$25.00. Own-root plants, 75 cts. to \$7.00.

Arajisha. A medium-sized flower of peony form with large outer guard petals and center filled with numerous petaloids. Very dark green glossy foliage. Fast, open growth. With us it blooms in early September.

Grafted plants, \$10.00 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, 75 cts. to \$7.00.

Black Prince. Double, almost black-red flowers of medium size. Tall, fast growth; late flowering.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$5.00.

Daikagura. Large, full, peony-like deep pink flowers. Large, dull green foliage. Slow, Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$5.00.

Hakuo. Double pure white flowers. Dull green foliage. Slow growth; late flowering.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$2.50.

**Hinomaru.** Formal deep red 3-inch flowers that come early and continue through the entire winter. Glossy deep green foliage. Slow, tall growth.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$30.00. Hoshiguruma, Star Wheel. Deep rose peony-like flowers shaped much like a wheel.

Very slow growth; midseason flowering.

Kumasaka. Large deep pink peony-like flowers.

Glossy green foliage. Tall, slow growth; late bloomer.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$7.00.

Kumasaka, Variegated. The peony-like flowers are large deep pink, spotted with white. Glossy green foliage. Tall, slow growth; very late bloomer.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$10.00. Own-root plants, \$1.00 to \$3.50.





Matsukasa, Pine Cone. Full double rose-red flowers speckled with white. Petals are narrow and pointed, stand apart, resembling a pine cone. Foliage is marbled with cream streaks. Slow, bushy growth; late flowering. Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$10.00.

Mikenjaku (Empress of Russia). A very large, semi-double rose-pink flower marbled with white. Petals, which are frilled and twisted, are intermixed with golden stamens. Dull green foliage. Slow growth.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, 75 cts. to \$7.00.

Monjisu, Variegated. Peony-like, deep velvety red flower speckled and spotted with white. Glossy foliage. Bushy, slow growth; late flowering.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$4.00.

Otome White. A full, double pure white flower showing stamens when fully open; rosebud formation at opening. Bushy, slow growth; midseason bloomer.

Grafted plants, \$5.00 to \$7.50. Own-root plants, 75 cts. to \$4.00.

Pink Ball. Peony-like soft pink flower. Dull green foliage. Slow growth; midseason flowering.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$12.00.

Pink Star. Bright rose-pink peony-like flower with golden stamens interspersed with inner petaloids; outer petals pointed, giving a star formation. Very slow growth; midseason bloomer.

Grafted plants, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Own-root plants, 75 cts. to \$8.00.

**Snowball.** Pure white, almost round, peony-like flower that resembles a snowball. Glossy foliage. Tall growth; late flowering. Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$2.50.

Somegawa, Variegated. Full, double deep red flowers striped with pink. Glossy green foliage. Tall, open growth; very late flowering. Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$10.00.

Variegated Daikagura. Large, full, peony-like, deep pink flowers marbled with white. Large, dull green foliage. Slow, tall growth; very early bloomer.

Own-root plants only, 75 cts. to \$2.50.

#### PRICES OF RARE JAPANESE CAMELLIAS

	Ea	ich
From 2½-in. pots, winter or spring delivery	\$0	75
From Lath House, 8 to 10 in. tall. B.&B.	1	50
From Lath House, 10 to 12 in. tall. B.&B.	2	00
From Lath House, 12 to 15 in., branched. B.&B.	2	50
From Lath House, 15 to 18 in., branched. B.&B.	4	00
From Field, specimen, 18 to 24 in., with buds. B.&B.	7	00
From Field, specimen, 24 to 30 in., with buds. B.&B.	. 8	00
From Field, specimen, 30 to 36 in., with buds. B.&B.	10	00
From Field, specimen, 36 to 40 in. with buds. B.&B.	12	00



HERMES

## Fine CAMELLIAS

#### GROUP NO. 1-WHITE

Alba Plena. An early-flowering, full, double white variety that blooms for Christmas and makes a useful cut-flower. Light green foliage; medium growth. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Candidissima. A medium-sized double pure white flower which is much prized for cutting. Light green foliage. Very slow growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

**Purity.** This large-flowering, full, double white is known for its free-flowering habit. Dark green foliage. Very slow growth. Available in all sizes to 3 ft.

#### GROUP NO. 1-RED

Brilliant. An unusual brilliant red shade is this full double flower. Very dark glossy foliage. Bushy grower; midseason bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

**Campelli.** A double dark red form that needs to be planted in the shade if you would enjoy rich-colored flowers. Very large, dark green foliage. Fast growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

**Imperator.** An outstanding Camellia of peony-like form, deep red in color, with golden stamens among the petaloids. Dull green, twisted foliage. Tall, open growth. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.

Lady Van Sitti. A showy semi-double red variety. Deep green glossy foliage. Very slow growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

**Prince Eugene Napoleon.** This first-rate cut-flower variety has double, deep blood-red blooms of medium size which appear at Christmas. Large, glossy dark green foliage. Tall, open growth. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.

Professor C. S. Sargent. A large, peony-type flower of bomb-like form. This variety should be planted in full sun for the maximum bloom. Dark green, round foliage. Tall, fast growth; early flowering. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.



T. K. VARIEGATED

## Fine CAMELLIAS

#### GROUP NO. 1-PINK

Bealei Rosea. A deep pink, 3-inch flower, fully double in form, with symmetrical petalage. Small, round, deep green foliage. Slow growth. Late flowering. All sizes up to 4 to 5 ft.

Caleb Cope. A top-notch double form measuring 2 to 3 inches across. Upright in growth with small foliage. Midseason.

Cameo Pink. Light pink in color is this 3½ to 4-inch full double variety which shows golden stamens in the center when fully expanded. It went through 12 degrees below zero in the open with no protection and was not injured in any way. A slow, bushy grower with light green, medium-sized foliage. We consider it the finest pink Camellia in the market for use as a cut-flower. Blooms in Dec. and Jan. Avalabile in all sizes up to 2 ft.

Celtic Rosea. Semi-double flesh-pink variety with golden stamens showing. Narrow, light green foliage. Slow growth. Available in all sizes up to 4 to 5 ft.

Cheerfulness. A true double deep rose form. Small, dark green foliage. Slow growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Enchantress. (Formerly listed as Christine Lee.) Large pink flowers, semi-double in form, with conspicuous stamens. They measure 4 to 5 inches in diameter. Small, glossy foliage. Tall, upright grower; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Gilbeau Pink. Peony-shaped light pink flowers of medium size. Light green foliage. Tall, open growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.

Gunellie. Very large, deep rose, peony-like flowers. Light green foliage. Low, slow, bushy growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Otome. A large double pink variety. Very desirable for cutting. Dark green foliage. Slow growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.

**Pink Perfection.** Usually considered the most popular pink variety for cutting. It is a full double flower of medium size and shell-pink in coloring. Slow growth; early free bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.

**Rubel Virginalis.** A peony-formed flower with large outer guard petals. The center of this truly beautiful Camellia is filled with small petaloids. Large, light green foliage. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft. Supply limited.

Wilder's Rose. Full double, deep pink flowers, measuring 3 inches in diameter. This variety is known for its profuse bloom. Dull green foliage. Tall, upright growth; midseason flowering. Available up to 1½ ft.



## Fine CAMELLIAS

#### GROUP NO. 1-VARIEGATED

Chandleri Elegans. Immense semi-double blooms of pink and white with golden stamens. Long-pointed leaves. Slow growth; midseason. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft. Countess of Orkney. Double white flower striped with rose. Dark twisted foliage. Extremely slow grower; midseason bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Feasti. Full double, medium-sized blooms with some flesh-pink and some rose-pink coloring and some striped effects. Dull green foliage. Tall angular grower. All sizes up to 2 ft. Harlequin. A peony-like flower usually striped with pink, but some pure pink flowers

appear. Round foliage. Open grower; late. Available in 6 to 8-in. and all sizes up to 5 ft. **Hermes.** Large, fragrant flowers of peony-like form, pink, white, and red striped. Light foliage. Slow grower. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.

Horkan. A semi-double white flower striped with red, pink, and rose, some appear in solid colors. Tall, angular growth; very late. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.

Kellingtonia. A most effective dark red variety spotted with white is this peony-like flower with golden stamens. Slow growth; midseason. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.

Leana Superba. Best classified as a semi-double to peony form, of rose-pink streaked with white. Twisted foliage. Slow growth. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

**Mme.** de Strekaloff. (*New type*). A large, loose, peony-like white bloom striped and speckled with pink, some pure white or pink. Midseason. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft. **Mrs. Luerman.** A full double red variety marbled with white. Dark green foliage. Slow growth; late flowering. Available up to 3 ft.

PRICES OF GROUP NO. 1 FINE CAMELLIAS From 2½-in. pots, winter or spring delivery		30	Per \$2	10 50
From Lath House, 8 to 10 in. B.&B.		60	5	50
From Lath House, 10 to 12 in. tall. B.&B.		75	6	50
From Lath House, 12 to 15 in. tall. B.&B.	. 1	25	10	00
From Field, specimen, 15 to 18 in., branched. B.&B.	. 2	00	17	50
From Field, specimen, 18 to 24 in., branched. B.&B.			27	50
From Field, specimen, 24 to 30 in., branched. B.&B.				00
From Field, specimen, 30 to 36 in., branched. B.&B.	. 7	50	70	00
From Field, specimen, 36 to 40 in., branched. B.&B.				00
From Field, specimen, 40 to 48 in., branched, B.&B.				00
From Field, specimen, 4 to 5 ft., branched, B.&B.	.15	00		
From Field, specimen, 5 to 6 ft., branched. B.&B.	. 20	00		
From Field, specimen, 6 to 7 ft., branched. B.&B.	.30	00		



## **CAMELLIAS**—Good Standard Varieties

#### GROUP NO. 2-PINK

Anna Frost. Large, semi-double blooms of clear pink. Light green foliage. Vigorous, upright growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

Cliviana. Semi-double light pink flowers of large size. Rounded, dull green foliage. Unusually vigorous, upright growth; midseason bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.

**Dixie.** Large, full, double vivid pink flowers, much prized for cutting. Slow, upright growth; late bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Haley's Monarch. Semi-double light pink flowers of peony form. Large, light green foliage. Strong, tall growth; late bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

Matilda. Medium in size is this desirable pink variety which is frequently used for cutting. Slow, bushy growth; late flowering. Available up to 18 in.

Sacco Rose. Medium-sized blooms, fully double in form, of a good shade of pink. Small, deep green foliage. Tall growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

#### GROUP NO. 2-RED

**Brown's Red.** An outstanding Camellia. Semi-double in form, black-red in color; known for its good size and too profuse bloom. Deep green glossy foliage. Tall, upright growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

Gloire de Nantes. Rose-red coloring characterizes this large loose peony-type flower. Dark green foliage. Rapid growth. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

**Jarvis Red.** A very hardy variety which stands considerable sun. Semi-double flowers are blood-red in color with golden stamens among the petals, or in a solid cluster of flowers. Dark green foliage. Wide-spreading, vigorous growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.

Sarah Frost. Known for its hardiness and its popularity. We can readily recommend this medium-sized, double flower which varies from deep rose-pink to red. Some of the flowers when fully open have two centers which resemble a pair of owl eyes Very profuse in its flowering. Growth is unusually bushy; very late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

**No. 105.** Large, loose, peony-type rose-red blooms. Similar to *Camellia reticulata*. Dark green foliage which is curved. Tall, upright growth; late flowering. Available in sizes up to 2 ft.

## CAMELLIAS—Good Standard Varieties

#### GROUP NO. 2-VARIEGATED

**Cheerful.** Double; pink striped with white. Dull green foliage. Bushy, upright growth; very late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.

Duc de Orleans. Large, loose, peony-form flower of soft flesh-pink, striped and speckled with rose; the golden stamens appear among twisted petals. This variety can be depended on for Christmas bloom. Large, round, deep green foliage. Vigorous, bushy growth; very early flowering. In all sizes up to 5 ft.

Matosi. A full double baby-pink variety marbled with white. It begins to bloom early in the season and lasts over a long period. Very desirable because of its profuse bloom. Light green foliage. Tall, bushy growth. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

Mme. de Strekaloff. Rose-pink flowers of peony form, streaked with deep rose-red. Light green foliage. Rapid, bushy growth; very late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

**Prince Albert.** The fragrant rosy pink flowers, spotted with white, are of medium size and peony-like in form. Dull green foliage. Tall growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

T. K. Variegated. An unusual semi-double variety known for its many colors—white striped pink, rose and lavender, and sometimes solid pink and purple. We highly recommend this variety which in full bloom resembles something from a Japanese garden. Dull green foliage. Tall, vigorous growth; midseason bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.





Churchwell. A first-rate, double, pure white cut-flower variety. Light green foliage. Bushy growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

**Duchesse de Orleans.** An occasional streak of rose appears in some of the flowers of this full double white variety. Tall, upright growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Elizabeth. Although the full double flowers are predominantly white, some pink flowers occur occasionally. A good cut-flower of medium size. Light green foliage. Wide, bushy growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Mathotiana Alba. This variety must be planted in dense shade to develop its profuse bloom. Full double; pure white; large. Light green foliage. Tall growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Nobilissima. A pure white peony-form bloom with yellow stamens. Light green foliage. Tall, upright growth; early flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

PRICES OF CAMELLIA GROUP NO. 2—STANDARD VARIETIES Ea	ch	Per 10
From 2½-in. pots, winter or spring delivery\$0	25	\$2 00
From Lath House, 8 to 10 in. B.&B.	55	5 00
From Lath House, 10 to 12 in. B.&B.	65	6 00
From Lath House, 12 to 15 in., branched. B.&B.	85	8 00
From Lath House, 15 to 18 in., branched. B.&B.	50	12 50
From Field, specimen, 18 to 24 in., branched. B.&B	50	22 50
From Field, specimen, 24 to 30 in., branched. B.&B	50	32 50
From Field, specimen, 30 to 36 in., branched. B.&B. 6	50	60 00
From Field, specimen, 36 to 40 in., branched. B.&B	50	70 00
From Field, specimen, 40 to 48 in., branched. B.&B.	50	80 00
From Field, specimen, 4 to 5 ft., branched. B.&B	00	
From Field, specimen, 5 to 6 ft., branched. B.&B	00	
From Field, specimen, 6 to 7 ft., branched. B.&B	00	

## SASANQUA CAMELLIAS

Known in Japan as Kotusubaki, Camellia Sasanqua, and its forms, are of real garden interest. The plants flower in early fall, have small glossy green foliage and produce flowers which are suggestive in form of a wild rose. Because of their rapid growth, the plants are useful for hedges and screen plantings as well as for specimen use. These picturesque shrubs are rather open in their growth and do best when planted in full sun.

#### CAMELLIA SASANOUA

Cleopatra. Semi-double blooms of crimson-red with golden stamens. Slow, bushy growth. Available in sizes up to 2 ft.

**Dawn.** Single white flowers with edges of petals blush-pink. Available in sizes up to 2 ft. **Maiden's Blush.** Single soft pink flowers with golden stamens. Available in sizes up to 2 ft.

Mine-no-yuki. Peony-form pure white flowers with golden stamens. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Rosea. Single, deep pink flowers with golden stamens. Available in sizes up to 2 ft. Prices of Camellia Sasanqua are same as C. japonica Group No. 2. See page 29.





INDIAN AZALEAS AT MIDDLETON GARDENS

## Beautiful AZALEAS

Nearly a hundred years ago Indica Azaleas were brought to America. In such famous gardens as Magnolia Gardens and Middleton Place, they grow and flourish as if they were a part of the natural landscape. The Kurumes, which are of more recent introduction, are equally spectacular in appearance. The evergreen character of the plants and the large showy blooms, as well as the wide color range, make these Azaleas extremely decorative for garden use. We are proud to be able to offer a number of outstanding varieties.

## Kurume Azaleas

#### WHITE VARIETIES

**Snow.** Of medium growth, the bushy plants produce pure white hose-in-hose type flowers and deep green, glossy foliage. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 10 to 12 in.

#### PINK VARIETIES

Cherry Blossom. The delightful cherryblossom-pink hose-in-hose type flowers are borne on plants of tall, open growth with large, round, dull green foliage. Very late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in. Coral Bells. The most popular and generally considered the best pink Kurume with small, deep pink hose-inhose flowers borne in great profusion. Tall, vigorous, fast growth. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 24 to 30 in.

Daybreak. Single deep pink flowers, small dull green foliage, and tall, vigorous, upright growth characterize this variety. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Double Apple Blossom. Apple-blossompink hose-in-hose type flowers borne in profusion on slow-growing, bushy plants. Late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

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#### PINK VARIETIES, continued

Hortensia. Delicate pink blooms of large size in the hose-in-hose form. Low, bushy growth. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

Pink Pearl. Pale pink, fringed blossoms of the hose-in-hose type which fade to white toward the center. Very profuse in their bloom, the tall, rapid-growing plants have light green, glossy foliage. Early. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 24 to 30 in.

#### RED VARIETIES

Carmine Prince. Single, deep red flowers of large size; the growth is tall and open. Midseason. Available in sizes from 8 to 10 in. to 10 to 12 in. only.

Christmas Cheer. Brilliant red blooms of the hose-in-hose type are borne on slow-growing, wide-spreading plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Hexe. Large, deep red blooms of the hose-in-hose type. Bushy, dwarf plants. Midseason to late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Hinodegiri. Single, deep red flowers of large size which are borne in great profusion on low, compact, bushy plants. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. up to 30 to 36 in.

#### SALMON VARIETIES

Bridesmaid. The single deep salmonpink flowers are borne in large clusters on tall-growing plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Salmon Beauty. Deep salmon blooms of the hose-in-hose type, borne in great profusion on bushy plants. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in., 6 to 8 in. and 10 to 12 in. only.

Salmon Queen. The vigorous, tall-growing plants produce salmon-pink flowers. Early. Available in 6 to 8 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

#### ORANGE VARIETIES

Orange Beauty. Single blooms of deep orange are produced on slow-growing, bushy plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

#### VARIEGATED VARIETIES

Peach Blow. The single white flowers are striped with pink and the low-growing plants are noted for their bushy habit. Early to midseason. Available from 18 to 24-in. size only.

#### LAVENDER VARIETIES

Lavender Queen. The large single flowers are a pleasing shade of lavender and the plants are noted for their rapid growth. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 10 to 12 in. only.

Mauve Beauty. The single mauve flowers are borne on very slow-growing bushy plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Violet Queen. The single violet blooms are borne on tall, open growth. Available in 12 to 18-in. and 18 to 24-in. sizes only.

#### Hardy Japaness Varieties

Double Pink Macrantha. The double deep pink flowers appear on tall, vigorous-growing plants and the narrow deep green foliage is unusually hardy. May. Available in sizes from 8 to 10 in, to 24 to 30 in.

Flame. Small flame or madder-red blooms are borne on slow upright-growing plants which are noted for their profuse bloom and their hardiness. Available in sizes from 8 to 12 in. to 24 to 36 in.

### PRICES OF KURUME AZALEAS and HARDY JAPANESE AZALEAS

In All Varieties, with buds, balled and burlapped

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4 to 6 in\$0	35	\$3	00	15 to 18 in	31	10	\$10	00
6 to 8 in	40	3	50	18 to 24 in	2	50	25	00
8 to 10 in	50	4	50	24 to 30 in	4	00	35	00
10 to 12 in	60	5	50	30 to 36 in	6	00	55	00
12 to 15 in	85	8	00	3 to 4 ft	7	00	65	00

## Indica Azaleas

#### WHITE VARIETIES

Indica Alba. A tall, fast-growing, pure white form with dull green foliage. Midseason. Available in sizes from 10 to 12 in, to 30 to 36 in.

Fielder's White. A slow-growing bushy type with large single white flowers. It is generally considered the best white Azalea. Midseason. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. to 18 to 24 in.

#### PINK VARIETIES

Elegans. Clear pink flowers appear early on tall, fast-growing plants with light green foliage. Available in sizes from 12 to 18 in., to 60 to 72 in.

#### RED VARIETIES

Brilliant. Low in its habit of growth, the medium-sized flowers are deep rosy red and the foliage is dark green. Early. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 30 to 36 in.

Elegans Superba (Pride of Mobile). A low-growing, bushy plant with watermelon-red flowers of large size and dull green leaves. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 30 to 36 in.

Violacea Rubra. The large red-purple flowers appear in abundance on rapidgrowing, bushy plants with dark green, glossy foliage. Late. Available in sizes from 10 to 12 in., 12 to 18 in., to 36 to 48 in.

#### SALMON VARIETIES

Duc de Rohan. Clear salmon flowers of medium size, narrow light green foliage, and low, wide-spreading, bushy growth characterize this variety. Early. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. up to 24 to 30 in.

Lawsal. The finest salmon-colored Azalea known for its depth of color, its light green foliage, and its tall, open growth. Late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6

in. up to 60 to 72 in.

Pride of Summerville. An outstanding new variety with large salmon blooms which appear several weeks before Lawsal. The flowers of this vigorousgrowing, tall plant are larger than Lawsal. (Priced the same as all other Indica Azaleas).

#### ORANGE RED VARIETIES

Coccinea Major. Dark green, glossy foliage, deep orange-red flowers, and slow-growing, wide-spreading, bushy growth are the distinctive features of this variety. Late. Available in sizes from 12 to 18 in. and 18 to 24 in. only.

President Clay. A very hardy variety with dull green leaves and deep orangered flowers. Fast-growing, tall, bushy growth. Available in sizes from 4 to 6

in. to 36 to 48 in.

Prince of Orange. Deep orange variety with dark glossy green foliage and widespreading, low growth. Late. Available in sizes from 10 to 12 in. to 24 to 30 in.

Sublanceolata. Unusually large deep orange blooms and large, glossy foliage distinguish this slow-growing bushy type. Late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. and up.

#### LAVENDER VARIETIES

Amurasaki. Deep lavender blooms of good size and long, narrow, dull green foliage make this wide-spreading growing hardy variety very desirable. Available in sizes from 10 to 12 in. to 48 to 60 in.

Formosa. A most satisfactory variety known for its hardiness, with large lavender blooms, large green foliage and tall, bushy growth. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. up to 60 to 72 in.

#### VARIEGATED VARIETIES

Indica Rosea Magnifica. The large white flowers have conspicuous rosecolored throats. Growth is vigorous, tall, and open and the stocky foliage is slightly hairy. Available in sizes from 18 to 24 in. to 36 to 48 in.

Omurasaki Sport (George Lindley Tabor). A top-notch variety to combine with Formosa is this sport of lavender Omurasaki. The large flowers are described as blush-pink to white, slightly speckled with or striped with lavender. In full bloom the plant suggests a great bouquet of orchids. It is a vigorous, bushy grower and a very hardy variety. We have a fine stock of plants in sizes from 15 to 18-inch spread at regular Indica prices. Midseason.

#### PRICES OF INDICA AZALEAS

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Spread Ea	ach	Per	10			Per 10
4 to 6 in	30	\$2	50	24 to 30 in	00	\$17 50
6 to 8 in	35	3	00	30 to 36 in	00	25 00
8 to 10 in				36 to 40 in 4	50	42 50
10 to 12 in		4		40 to 48 in 6	00	55 00
12 to 15 in	75	7	00	4 to 5 ft 7	00	65 00
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## Three New Azaleas

Black Hawk. Single, large, golden bronze blooms are borne on tall, open growth in great profusion. Midseason.

Ruby. Single flowers of blood-red distinguish this Azalea which we consider the finest red we know. Slow, bushy, low-growing habit. Midseason.

Sachem. Large, single brilliant red blooms produced on vigorous, bushy plants.

Midseason.

#### PRICES ON ABOVE THREE NEW VARIETIES

4-in. plants 25c each 8-in. plants 60c each 6-in. plants 40c each 10-in. plants \$1.00 each Balled and Burlapped. All plants are bushy and well budded.

#### What You Should Do

## To Grow Azaleas and Camellias Successfully

In preparing the soil for an Azalea garden first remove all weeds and surface growth from the area which you have selected. Then remove enough soil to accommodate the following mixture—6 inches of muck from a freshwater pond; a 2-inch layer of dairy fertilizer; a 2-inch layer of peat moss or sawdust (preferably cypress); an application of 20 per cent Acid Phosphate. These ingredients should be thoroughly incorporated with 6 inches of original soil to make an ideal soil mixture. If the location is inclined to be wet, raise the beds where the plants are to be located so that they are at least 1 foot above the original level of the land.

In setting out Camellias and Azaleas remember that they must be planted so that the surface roots are level with the surrounding soil. Pack the roots firmly by stamping the ground; water liberally just after planting. Then mulch the entire area with 2 inches of oak leaves or an inch of peat moss. One thorough watering each week is usually sufficient. If artesian water is used, it should be applied with a sprinkler which aerates the water before it enters the soil; thus the injurious minerals are allowed to evaporate. Keep your newly planted garden free of weeds. An application of "Azalea Special" Fertilizer in March, June and August is sufficient to keep your plants in vigorous condition.

#### INSECT CONTROL

Red Spider. Symptoms: The foliage begins to turn brown. Dust the underside of the leaves with S.A.T. early in the morning before the dew dries up. Formula—8 lbs. Sulphur Dust; 1½ lbs. Arsenate of Lead; 2 lbs. Tobacco Dust.

Worms, Grasshoppers and Blue-Green Flea Beetle. Symptoms: These insects chew holes in Camellia foliage. Spray with Arsenate of Lead in spring before new growth starts. Continue as needed. Formula—1½ lbs. to 10 gals. of water.

Scale Infestation. Symptoms: Yellow spots appear on foliage. Underside of foliage should be sprayed with Oil Emulsion Spray. Formula —1 qt. of Volk to 12 gals. of water. Spray in April, May, or June. (Never spray in winter; freezing temperatures injure plants which have been sprayed at that time.)

Aphids. Symptoms: Small black-brown insect attack tender foliage. Spray with Black-Leaf 40 as needed. Formula—1 tablespoonful to a gal. of water.

Phomopsis Blight (Fungus Disease). Possibly most detrimental of all Camellia diseases. Symptoms: Small branchlets shrivel up in spring after new growth develops to about 4 to 8 inches; sometimes the entire top of a plant will shrivel; sometimes the roots are diseased and it is not apparent until the entire plant is dead. Hence, it is advisable to spray all Camellias and Azaleas with Bordeaux Mixture each spring; regardless of weather Phomopsis Blight is always present. Formula—1½ lbs. Bordeaux Mixture (4-4-50) to 10 gals. of water. Spray sufficient to wet all the branches and the trunk, in March, April or May. (Cold-weather precautions—water all plants at the roots before a freeze.)

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## Camellia and Azalea Gardens

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## Our Eleventh Year of Quality and Service

We are Camellia and Azalea specialists, devoting all of our time to growing, propagating and shipping high-grade plants. We are proud of the fine vigorous stock that we have the pleasure of offering to the public. We are always careful to send out only "true to name" stock.

#### Grading of Stock

Camellias are graded as to height—18 to 24 inches designates a plant  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 feet tall.

Values are governed by the character of individual specimens. A slender plant 3 to 4 feet tall is not worth as much as one 2 to 3 feet tall of bushy habit. Bushy Camellias produce many more buds than slender, loose-growing plants.

Prices in this Catalogue cancel all previous quotations and are subject to change without notice.

Orders are accepted in rotation as received. Should stock be injured by elements over which we have no control, we will refund at once all money sent.

## Selling and Shipping Season Shipments are made between October 1

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New Camellia • FIREGOLD

## The Finest New Red Camellia in Our Collection

Large fire-red, semi-double to peony-form, 5 to 6-inch bloom. Petals large; stamens in great numbers forming a mass of golden yellow in the center of the flower, hence its name Fire Gold. Its formation varies from a single star to full peony form. Last winter it took first prize at four Camellia shows in its class. Foliage is round, dull green. Growth is slow and it is very difficult to propagate. Midseason to late flowering.

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